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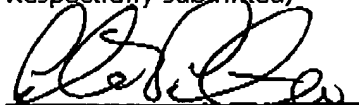
Applicant appreciates the thoroughness with which the Examiner has examined the above-identified application. Reconsideration is requested in view of the amendments above and the remarks below.

Applicant has rewritten claims 13 and 15, deemed to be allowable, in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Specifically, system claim 3 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 5 and 13, and the latter two claims have been cancelled. Claim 6, which is dependent on claim 3, has been amended to reflect the changes to claim 3.

Similarly, method claim 14 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 15, and the latter has been cancelled. The dependencies of claims 16-19 have been amended. New claim 23 recites substantially the same subject matter as original dependent claim 21, but is dependent on claim 20. No new matter has been added.

Since applicant has cancelled rejected claims 1 and 2, it is respectfully submitted that the application has now been brought into a condition where allowance of the entire case is proper. Reconsideration and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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